MR. C. KUMARA DAS : Yes, Sir.

MR. KANNANTHODATH K. JANARDHANAN NAIR : May I know, why ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS : Their complaint was that exploitation work on the sea-coast encroached upon their cremation ground and also on their village border.

Travancore Minerals Company.

182. *MR. KANNANTHODATH K. JANARDHANAN NAIR (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Travancore Minerals Company at Chavara is bound by rules or agreement to allot certain areas on the sea coast as cremation grounds, fish-curing yards, etc., from the lands assigned to them for the exploitation of minerals ;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative whether such areas are duly allotted by them between the 50th to 55th mile on the sea coast ; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the negative, what steps are taken by Government in the matter ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS (*Director of Industries*) : (*a*) No.

(*b*) and (*c*) In view of answer to question (*a*) these questions do not arise.

MR. KANNANTHODATH K. JANARDHANAN NAIR : May I know whether the member has seen the lease deed executed in 1104 ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS : I have seen the one executed in 1928, *i. e.*, eleven years ago.

MR. KANNANTHODATH K. JANARDHANAN NAIR : I may inform the member that the lease deed executed by them is not in accordance with the one prepared by them in 1104. I have got a copy of it.

PRESIDENT : Will the member please verify that and see whether the agreement is all right ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS : Yes, Sir.

Erosion of soil from Public and Private Lands.

183. *MR. KANNANTHODATH K. JANARDANAN NAIR (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Board of Agriculture recommended that adequate steps be taken to prevent the erosion of soil from public and private lands ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, what steps are taken thereon ?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR (*Director of Agriculture and Fisheries*) :

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The recommendations are under consideration.

Collection of Land Revenue in the Karunagapalli taluk.

184. *MR. KANNANTHODATH K. JANARDHANAN NAIR (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the total amount of land revenue due to them from the Karunagapally taluk :

(*b*) the total amount of remission, if any, for that taluk in 1114 ;

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(*c*) the total amount of land revenue collected up to date ; and

(*d*) the total amount of fees collected for demand notices from that taluk in 1114 ?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : (*a*) Rs. 1,40,763- 1-0.

(*b*) Rs. 9,087-15-9.

(*c*) Rs. 1,18,195-15-9.

(*d*) Rs. 2,168-20-0.

MR. KANNANTHODATH K. JANARDHANAN NAIR : May I know the number of demand notices issued in Karunagapally during the last 12 months ?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO : I claim notice.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI : May I know whether the arrears of land revenue to be collected in that taluk are much heavier than those of the other taluks.

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO : That taluk has the heaviest arrears of land revenue.

Manager in the office of the Inspector-General of Police.

185. ***MR. KANNANTHODATH K.JANARDHANAN NAIR** (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Manager of the Inspector-General's (Police) Office is under suspension at present ;

(*b*) whether that office was audited just after the suspension of the Manager ;

(*c*) whether the auditors have submitted their report ; and

(*d*) what action has been taken on that report ?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB (*Inspector-General of Police*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The office was audited from 6-3-39, while the Manager was placed under suspension from 8-3-39.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) The matter is under consideration.

Cold Storage Plant.

186. ***MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the total amount spent by Government on the Cold Storage Plant of the Fisheries Department ;

(*b*) the period during which the plant was worked for the preservation of fish ; and

(*c*) the date on which it ceased to be worked and the reasons therefor ?

MR. K. R NARAYANA AIYAR (*Director of Agriculture and Fisheries*) :

(*a*) Rs. 22,344-23-12.

(*b*) Five months and 11 days from 10-12-1113 M. E.

(*c*) The Cold Storage Plant has not completely ceased to work. The retail sale of fish by the Departmental agency in the Municipal area of Trivandrum was temporarily stopped with a view to satisfy the

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